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In re Application of  
Michael B. Ball  
Application No. 09/427,123  
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Attorney Docket No. 2818.1US

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed February 25, 2010 under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

**Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on January 18, 2010 in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.**

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (571) 272-3210.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 2822 for processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and for consideration of the concurrently filed amendment.

/Irvin Dingle/  
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<sup>1</sup> The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above. Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form **must** be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).